use a copy of the paper just presented, at a trial to be held in New Brunswick, N. S.

There being no quorum present, for the election of members, the stated business of the meeting could not be proceeded with.

Pending nominations, Nos. 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 283, 284, 285, were read.

## Stated Meeting, August 20.

Present, eight members.

Dr. PATTERSON, President, in the Chair.

Letters were read:-

From the Central Commission of Statistics, of Belgium, dated Bruxelles, 1st May, 1852, accompanied by the Report of a sub-committee, relative to the meeting of a Congress of Savants, of all nations, at Bruxelles, in the month of September next:—

From the Society of Sciences, Agriculture and the Arts, of Lille, dated Lille, 20th March, 1852; and from Professor Lepsius, dated Berlin, 20th June, 1852, announcing the transmission of donations to the Society: and—

From the Corporation of Harvard College, Cambridge, dated July 16, 1852, returning thanks for Vol. X. Part 2, of the Transactions of this Society; and from the Trustees of the New York State Library, dated Albany, August 6, 1852, acknowledging the receipt of the Society's Proceedings, No. 47.

The following donations were announced:-

## FOR THE LIBRARY.

Mémoires de l'Académie Impériale des Sciences de St. Petersbourg: VI.ème Série. Sciences Mathématiques, Physiques et Naturelles. Tome VII. Première Partie, Sciences Math. et Phys. Tome V. 3e ét 4e livraisons. Seconde Partie, Sci. Nat. Tome V. 5e et 6e livraisons. Tome VIII. Seconde Partie, Sci. Nat. Tome VI. 4e livraison. St. Petersbourg, 1849, 50. 4to.—From the Academy.

- Mémoires presentés à l'Académie Impériale des Sciences de St. Petersbourg, par divers Savants, et lus dans ses assemblées. Tome VI. 4e livraison. St. Petersbourg, 1849. 4to.—From the same.
- Recueil des Actes des Séances Publiques de l'Académie Impériale des Sciences de St. Petersbourg, ténues le 28 Dec. 1847, et le 29 Dec. 1848. St. Petersbourg, 1849. 4to.—From the same.
- Annales des Mines. Quatrième Série. Tome XX. 6e livraison de 1851. Cinquième Série. Tome I. 1e livraison de 1852. Paris. 8vo.—From the Ecole des Mines.
- Transactions of the Linnean Society of London. Vol. XXI. Part 1, and List of the Society for 1851. London. 4to.—From the Society.
- Proceedings of the Linnean Society. Nos. 45, 46, 47. (Feb. 4 to Dec. 16, 1851.) London. 8vo.—From the same.
- Quarterly Journal of the Chemical Society. Nos. XVII. XVIII. Vol. V. Nos. 1, 2. April and July, 1852. London. 8vo.— From the Society.
- Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society. Vol. XII. No. 5. March 12, 1852. London. 8vo.—From the Society.
- Mémoires de la Société Nationale des Sciences, de l'Agriculture et des Arts, de Lille. Année 1850. Lille. 8vo.—From the Society.
- Annals of the Lyceum of Natural History of New York. Vol. V. Nos. 7, 8. June, 1852. New York. 8vo.—From the Lyceum.
- Proceedings of the New Jersey Historical Society. Vol. V. No. 2. 1852. 8vo.—From the Society.
- Maryland Two Hundred Years Ago: A Discourse by S. F. Streeter. Delivered in Baltimore before the Maryland Historical Society, on its Seventh Anniversary Celebration, May 20, 1852. Baltimore. 8vo.—From the Maryland Historical Society.
- A Sketch of the Life and Services of General Otho Holland Williams: Read before the Maryland Historical Society, on Thursday evening, March 6, 1851. By Osmond Tiffany. Baltimore. 8vo.—From the same.
- Proceedings of the Boston Society of Natural History, June, 1852. Boston. 8vo.—From the Society.
- Proceedings of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia. Vol. VI. No. 3. May and June, 1852. Philada. 8vo.—From the Academy.
- Journal of the Franklin Institute. Third Series. Vol. XXIV. No. 2. August, 1852. Philada. 8vo.—From the Institute.

- Briese aus Ægypten, Æthiopien und der Halbinsch des Sinai. Von Richard Lepsius. Berlin. 1852. 8vo.—From the Author.
- Nautisches Jahrbuch, oder vollständige Ephemeriden und Taseln für das Jahr 1854: herausgegeben von Dr. C. Bremiker, Plankammer Inspector, &c. &c. Berlin, 1851. 8vo.—From the Editor.
- Report of the Secretary of the Navy, communicating a Report of the Engineer in Chief of the Navy, on the Comparative Value of Anthracite and Bituminous Coals: made to the Senate, May 24, 1852. Washington. 8vo.—From Hon. James Cooper, U. S. Senate.
- Speech of the Hon. Volney E. Howard, of Texas, on the Mexican Boundary Question, the Pacific Rail Road, the Collins Steamers: delivered in the House of Representatives, July 6, 1852. Washington. 8vo.—From the Author.
- Official Report of the United States Expedition to explore the Dead Sea and the River Jordan. By Lieut. W. F. Lynch, U. S. Navy. Baltimore, 1852. 4to.—From the Author.
- The Bible a Perfect Book: An Address delivered before the Bible Society of Pennsylvania College and of the Theological Seminary, April 13, 1852. By Rev. C. P. Krauth, Pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, Winchester, Va. Gettysburg, 1852. 8vo.—From Prof. Stoever.
- The Medical News and Library. Vol. X. No. 116. Aug. 1852. Philadelphia. 8vo.—From Blanchard & Lea.
- The Plough, the Loom and the Anvil. Vol. V. No. 2. Aug. 1852. N. York and Philada. 8vo.—From the Editors.
- The African Repository. Vol. XXVIII. Nos. 7, 8. July, August, 1852. Washington. 8vo.—From the American Colonization Society.
- A Catalogue of Stars near the Ecliptic, observed at Markree during the years 1848, 1849, 1850, and whose places are supposed to be hitherto unpublished. Vol. I., containing 14,888 stars. Dublin. 1851. 8vo.—From the Royal Society.

The Committee appointed at last meeting, on Dr. Wetherill's paper "On a new variety of Asphalt," reported in favour of its publication in the Transactions, which was ordered accordingly, and the Committee discharged.

The minutes of the Board of Officers and Council at their meeting on the 13th inst. were read.

Pending nominations, Nos. 275 to 279, and 283 to 285, in-